

WILMAR'S RESPONSE TO RAINFOREST ACTION NETWORK'S REPORT

Singapore, 20 November 2014 -- We refer to the recent report by Rainforest Action Network (RAN): "The Last Place on Earth – Exposing the Threats to the Leuser Ecosystem, A Global Diversity Hotspot Deserving Protection".

Wilmar is committed to an integrated policy of "No Deforestation, No Peat and No Exploitation" in an effort to accelerate the market transformation for responsible palm oil. With this pledge, we are diligently working towards ensuring both the Group's plantations and companies from which it sources will provide products that are free from links to deforestation or human rights abuse. Core to this policy is a commitment to map out a traceable supply chain back to source by end 2015*.

As part of our Policy implementation, work is already underway to perform mill assessments in high risk areas to review the risks in our supply chain and to take steps to improve compliance. Such assessments also include desk-top reviews to identify mills operating in close proximity to conservation areas.

The Group recognises that the Leuser Ecosystem is a valuable landscape rich in flora and fauna biodiversity, and appreciates RAN highlighting the potential risks of palm oil companies operating in that region. Wilmar currently procures from four companies listed in the report that are operating in the Leuser Ecosystem, namely PT Ensem Sawita, PT Surya Panen Subur II, PT Sisirau and PT Perkebunan Nusantara I.

In addition to the mill risk assessments, we have engaged with these suppliers and are seeking their assistance in providing information about their raw material sources, including their procurement procedures.

We have had a constructive and purposeful dialogue with RAN on the above issues and will continue open engagement with them and other relevant stakeholders.

Updates on the progress of our actions will be reported on our dashboard which will be launched next month.

* For more information about Wilmar's efforts on traceability work to-date, please refer to our 3rd quarterly progress report on <u>http://www.wilmar-international.com/sustainability/policies/progress-reports-on-policy-implementation/</u>